GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
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INDO-LATIN AMERICAN TIES
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any efforts have been made/are being made to improve relations with Latin American countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether any delegations have been sent on goodwill mission to these countries;

(d) if so, the details thereof ;

(e) whether any efforts have been made to invite high level goodwill mission from these countries; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a) & (b) India`s efforts at improving relations with Latin American countries is on an ongoing and continuous basis. The measures include periodic exchanges of high level political visits, regular official level consultations, holding of joint commissions, extension of ITEC cooperation, participation in international trade fairs and visits by business and cultural delegations.

(c), (d), (e) & (f) The various interactions listed above help India`s bilateral relations with the Latin American countries in a substantive manner besides generating goodwill.